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In re application of

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Attorney Docket Q65114

Appln. No.: not yet assigned

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Examiner: Not yet assigned

Filed: June 22, 2001

For: BICYCLE SAFETY PEDAL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, after the title delete the heading “DESCRIPTION” and insert the heading

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 2, after line 33 insert the heading

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 4, after line 2 insert the heading

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

after line 16 insert the heading

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

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IN THE ABSTRACT:

**Please delete the present Abstract of the Disclosure and replace it with the following
new Abstract of the Disclosure.**

ABSTRACT

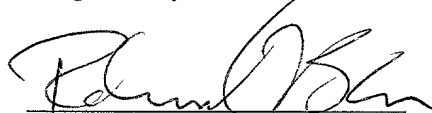
A safety pedal for bicycles, comprising a device for quickly coupling to a cleat fastened to the sole of a shoe. This device comprises a toe element for receiving a front end of the cleat and a rear fastening device, which is suitable for engaging the rear end of the cleat when this is pressed over said rear fastening device. The cleat is released from the pedal by turning in the general plane of the pedal so to move the rear end of the cleat laterally. The resting surface of the cleat on the pedal includes cam means for lifting the side of the cleat, which is moved away from the center of the pedal when the releasing rotation is imposed on the cleat. Said cam means are only arranged on the side of the pedal facing outwards (with reference to the fitting condition of the bicycle), so to be operative only when the rear end of the cleat is moved laterally outwards, i.e. distanced with respect to the bicycle, starting from the engaged position.

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REMARKS

The application has been amended to provide appropriate headings for the various sections of the application. Additionally the extraneous improper second paragraph of the abstract has been deleted.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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IN THE ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE:

The abstract is changed as follows:

ABSTRACT

A safety pedal for bicycles, comprising a device for quickly coupling to a cleat fastened to the sole of a shoe. This device comprises a toe element for receiving a front end of the cleat and a rear fastening device, which is suitable for engaging the rear end of the cleat when this is pressed over said rear fastening device. The cleat is released from the pedal by turning in the general plane of the pedal so to move the rear end of the cleat laterally. The resting surface of the cleat on the pedal includes cam means for lifting the side of the cleat, which is moved away

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from the center of the pedal when the releasing rotation is imposed on the cleat. Said cam means are only arranged on the side of the pedal facing outwards (with reference to the fitting condition of the bicycle), so to be operative only when the rear end of the cleat is moved laterally outwards, i.e. distanced with respect to the bicycle, starting from the engaged position.

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